

I oppose the proposed dropping of the ban on more profanity (especially “f” and “s” words) and nudity on television and radio. Even if brief or fleeting, nudity is nudity and profanity is profanity. Non-sexual nudity is still nudity and it is not in the interest of the public and our children to allow this into our homes. What use is there for showing female (or male) nudity? Even on a program such as a “birthing show” it is not prudent or necessary to show female nudity. Children and adults alike, if needing that much information, should be seeking it elsewhere in an educational setting not on television in a setting which parents may not always be present to monitor.

As for profanity, again, even if fleeting or accidental, it should not be condoned or accepted. Accidents may happen occasionally but that does not mean it should be given a stamp of approval. Times change, people change, people’s interpretations of decency change, but as a society we should still respect all persons’ right to be able to enjoy media and entertainment without the fear of compromising their morals or putting their children in compromising situations.

Furthermore, it sets a very bad precedent. Paving the way to allow these unsavory things in other contexts other than “non-sexual” and brief/fleeting. What happens next? If not curtailed, these things will soon pervade “normal” programming as well. I already currently do not have my television hooked up to broadcast, cable, or local television of any kind because of the amount of filth that is allowed on T.V. and have not for years. Seems like even if you are watching a “family friendly” show, chances are the advertisements that come on during commercial breaks are far from family friendly with inappropriate innuendoes and messages and many times scantily clad women. Just what our young people need more of right? Wrong. It is not “old-fashioned” to hold on to decency and morality. We owe it to our children and ourselves to set a good example by setting the bar high for humanity.